Made a Statement.

"May I make a brief statement?" asked Commissioner Newman. "Yes, I think you should do To." Mr.

Johnson replied.

"Entirely aside from anything that may be seeing on. I wish to state that I never have made any such statement and never authorized any such statement," said Mr. Newman.

"Now you have answered as to

ment, said Mr. Newman.

"Now you have answered as to whether you made the statement, will you tell us whether it is true or not?"

"Does the committee want to go into that? I am willing if you are," remarked Mr. Newman.

"If it is done good naturedly, I don't mind one bit," said Chairman Johnson.

Congressman Lloyd laughingly remarked, 'E'veryone knows that Democrats are anxious to get lobs in the District, so why not let it go at that."

"Oh, not everyone is," said Mr. Johnson.

son.
"Then, he is derelict to his party."
said Mr. Focht. said Mr. Focht.

Congressman Lloyd asked Mr. Harr whether, since he admitted that the Commissioners were acting in good faith, he did not believe they would be derelict in their duty if they had not made the surveyties.

made the suggestion.
"If any evil is to be remedied, I would say they were," replied Mr. Harr, but the only evil they cite is an imaginary

Outlined the Duties.

Mr. Harr then outlined the duties of the board and of the Commissioners in an effort to show that they did not cou-

Had the Commissioners been identiried with District affairs and been in touch with Washington people they would have consulted business men, members of the Board of Education, before they formed the theoretic plan for which there is no multie demand and foore they formed the theoretic pian for which there is no public demand, and urged it upon Congress," said Mr. Harr. Mr. Harr charged the Commissioners with formulating "piece-meal lexislation," and said each of the three school bills, by which they tried to get control of the schools, omitted one or more important prayighous and that even the of the schools, omitted one or more important provisions, and that even the third draft did not include "the provision that no transfers, dismissals, or appointments shall be made except on written order of the superintendent."

W. H. Klopfer, another Board of Trade member, said that "no sooner is one method devised here of running the schools than another is introduced to upset it."

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Dr. Richard Kingsman, of the oBard of Trade, protested briefly against the

of trade, protested briefly against the change.

Mrs. A. J. Driscoll, who asked permission to speak, on behalf of the mothers, soil that the present system made coaching of high school pupils necessary. She said this placed an additional financial burden on parents who always had to may heavily for made ceaching of high school pupils mecosary. She gaid this placed an additional financial burier on parents who already had to may heavily for parents who already had to may heavily for the first of the first of

Offers a Compromise.

Chairman Lloyd's suggestion of a compromise in the school board controversy preceded the hearing of witnesses at to day's session. Soon after the committee was called to order, Mr. Lloyd asked the attention of Commissioner Newman

am glad to note that the hearings so far have been on a high plane, and there has developed no friction of any kind between the school board and the Commissioners. The issue here seems to be that the Commissioners de-sire a change in the present system, while the Board of Education ved the people seem to be content with the existing system, and do not want it dis-T want to know how you would feel

about an amendment I am about to suggest to the present law. I think it would meet with the approval of the Board of piece with the approval of the Board of Fediteration and also the people of the listrict, although I may be wrong about it. At any rate, I present for the consideration of all interested a the consideration of all interested a proposal that the present law shall be amended to read that instead of the limited of Education being appointed by the judges of the Supreme Court:

"The Board of Education shall be appointed by the President of the United States."

That gives the 'one head' to which the Commissioners have referred. The Commissioners are appointed by the President and the Board of Education would be so appointed, and both bodies would be responsible to the Chief Executive. Executive

To Think It Over.

"I do not ask that the Commissioners shall give immediate answer to this suggestion, but I present it so they may think II over. It looks like to me this might be a solution of this direction, for such an amendment to the existing school laws would not interfere with the Board of Education, but it would carry out the idea of a 'central head' for the school system. What do you think, Commissioner Newman?"

"I believe that for the present I will avail myself of your offer and think the matter over before making answer for the Commissioners," sall Mr.

Swer for the Commissioners," sall Mr. "I do not ask that the Commis-

avail myself of your offer and think the matter over before making an-swer for the Commissioners," sail Mr. Frederick A. Fenning, chairman of

THE WEATHER REPORT.

The forecast for the District of Co-lumbia-Cloudy tonight and Friday; probably rain; warmer tonight, Mod-erate to fresh southerly winds. Maryland-Itain and warmer tonight; Friday cloudy and probably rain; mod-rate to fresh southerly winds. Virginia-Unsettled tonight and Friday probably rain; warmer tonight; moderate southerly winds.

TEMPERATURES. (U. S. Bureau.)

TIDE TABLE. High tide at \$ 10 a. m. and \$:21 p. m. Low tide at 2:29 a. m. and 2:35 p. m.

SUN TABLE.

Light automobile samps at 5.45 p. m. | the premisea."

TRUST RULES WATER | DEATH CAR DRIVER POWER, REPORT SAYS

Ownership, Charges Secretary of Agriculture.

Existence of a giant water-power trust in a report to the Senate by Secretary of Agriculture Houston.

Through common ownership of stocks the presence of certain personages as Cominating influences in many com panies and through a "comm mity of iterests" in harling and financing, it was charged, there had grown up a monopolizing tendency "which must be viewed with grave concern."

the education subcommittee named by the Board of Trade to oppose the Commissioners' bill, was then heard. He read the resolution recently adopted by the Board of Trade, which profested against abolishment of the board and suggested instead that ex-clusive power over the school system be given the Board of Education, which would be subject to the Com-missioner, only in accounting. "At the same time," said Mr. Fen-ning," we described ning, "we deprecate the attacks which have been made in certain quarters against the Commissioners. We do against the Commissioners. We do not believe they have in their minds any thought of partisan politics in making these recommendations, yet we feel that with the schools in charge of the Commissioners there would be presented opportunity for the injection of politics." would be presented opportunity for the injection of politics."

Mr. Mackey said.

Julius Peyser prefaced his remarks by saying. "I am not a rollifician: I was born and raised in Washington." He burden of proof should be on the Commissioners to show that there exists recessity for the change they recommend and that the proposed plan will work better rossition to judge the school needs the proposed plan will better position to judge the school needs.

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The burden of proof should be on the Commissioners to show that there exists recommend to have found one on the seat near him after the was shot, written by an angry husband. "Tow many statements did you make should be on the Commissioners to show that there exists are present to show that there exists are present arrangement that the proposed plan will be a should be on the Commissioners to show that there exists are present arrangement to show that there ex

Free From Politics.

The Commissioners should show that under their plan the schools will be kept as free from politics as they

Congressman Ragsdale wanted to Congressman Ragsdale wanted to know from what sources political pressure would be brought upon the Commissioners. Mr. Fenning said pressure would be brought by persons who feel they have a right to make such requests."

"Let's be frank; to whom do you research posteried Congressman. Bagsdale.

er?" persisted Congressman Ragsdale. Chairman Lloyd interrupted with the fer: statement that under the old system whereby the Commissioners had conhad political trol of the school system, pressure undoubtedly has brought.

brought.

"I have been here long enough to know that under the old regime, prior to 1900, there were many requests for appointments made to the Commissioners," said Mr. Lloyd. "I happen to know there was pressure brought in those days by members of Congress, and some of them srew indignant when they did not get teachers appointed."

Mr. Ragsdale asked if the same sort of pressure might not be brought digainst a school board, and Mr. Fenning said it would not work out that way.

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Congressman Ragsdale then engaged in quite an argument with Mr. Fenning regarding the contribution of the Federal Government to the District schools. He said the constituents of members of Congress contributed under the half-and-hulf plan to the unkeep of schools here, and there was nothing particularly out of the way in a suggestion that a teacher from outside the District should get a position in the system here.

Mr. Fenning suggested that if an ar-

everyhody protected.

"We look to you for protection now." smilingly commented Mr. Fenning.

"The school system here has been conducted successfully." continued Mr. Fenning.

"For ten years there has been no friction. The beople themselves have not raised a voice against the Board of Education and its management of the schools. Under the circumstances, the burden of proof should be upon the Commissioners to show the need of a change; they should show wherein the present plan does not work satisfactorily and how another plan would factorily and how another plan would work for the better."

ork for the better.
"What about the divided authority of which the Commissioners complain?" which the Commissioners asked Congressman Johnson There has been some slight friction at times between the Commissioners and the Board of Education as to control of

the funds and expenditures. I believe," said Mr. Fenning. "But this was never

said Mr. Fenning. "But this was never serious.

"The situation can be met by amending the law so that the Board of Education will have unquestioned authority over school funds, and shall be subject to the Commissioners only in accounting for these funds. There seems to be some doubt as to which hold, should control expenditures, and this ought to be cleared up by giving the Board of Education full authorit in the premises."

· TELLS OF MURDER WORK OF STERNBERG

Accomplished Through Stock Healis Says He Lost Nerve on District Medical Association and is shown in the weekly trade statement the First Day Set For

(Continued from First Page.) in the United States was charged today house and talked with her. She said,

o help you out." He said he then went to Miss Burger's

Monopolizing fundency "which must be viewed with grave concern."

Sixteen diagrams were given to show how certain financial interests were in control in all the leading power control in all the leading power control in all the leading power control of the undeveloped nower on public lands.

Of public service power, thirty-five companies hold one-half-and these companies hold one-half-and these companies are related "how closely cannot lee quantitatively stated," the report savs, and eighty-five control 68 per cent.

The names of all the leading banking and bonding houses of the country and other investing sources, and eighty-five connections into one great commercial unit was submitted. There are 1,500 corporate units.

The education subcommittee named by the education subcommittee named by

voung buly from that party held onto the doctor in his own machine. I drove it to the hospital. From the hospital I was taken to the police station." How He Stalled Engine.

Going over the details of the shoot ng, Healis said he pulled the "prim ing wire" of the carburetor and stalled the engine purposely when he opened the hood over the engine. "When I picked up Miss Burger she had blood all over the side of her head," he said, "I dropped her when to and carried her to the side of the road. I did not hear any one speak except Miss Burger and myself. She had hold of the doctor's left arm, and was saying: 'Oh, doctor'.' Oh, doctor' I cried: 'My God.'' I didn't see any one but Spellman at the roadside.'' Healis then went over the "sweating" at the hands of the police in Barrington and in Providence, and the trip to the scene of the shooting. He finished his direct testimony at 10 40, and was jurned over to Attor-

"robbery statement" to the first party of motorists to reach the scene. He never gave out a statement, saying an automobile came up from behind, dropped one of its occupants and then passed the Mohr car. The man who dropped out of the strange car shot Dr. Mohr and the girl, he was allested to have said, in a second previous state-

there was a plan to rob Pr. Mohr," the Wilness stated.
Lewis then read a statement saying Healts stopped Mohr's car so that Erown could rob it. He asked Healts if he made this statement and the negro denied that he had.

Admitted Making Confession

lealis admitted making a confes sion to Police Chief O'Neil of Providence which did not contain the statements he swore to on the witnes

"We stopped at a bush in the road," he said. "After the shooting I lifted Miss Burger gently to the side of the road. I do not know how she suf-fered her black eye that night or the

bruise on her area."
Mrs. Mohr's expression was un-changed. Ewen when Healig gained confidence and sauted slightly during the cross-examination she gave no in-dication of noticing him. Lewis closed his cross-examination

Lewis closed his with a trembling voice. "George Healis," he eried, "Dr. Mohr "George Healis," he eried, "Dr. Mohr II placed put all his truct in you. He placed his life in your hands as his driver and yet you drove him deliberately where he would be shut to death in dark and his companion wounded life. Didn't you do that, George the dark a for life. L W. Henlis

the highest pitch of excitement, law-yers, jurors and even the judge leaning forward almost in lip-toe.
Healis faltered for a moment and then answered with a sickly half smile: "I did."

Fire Does \$500 Damage To M Street Lunci. Room

Lamage estimated at \$500 was done by a fire which was discovered early today on the first floor of 2316 M street north-west, occupied by Clifford Ward as a lunch room.

Serbian Soldier Boy Killed Man For Shoes

NEW YORK, Jan. 20.-A little Serblan. Constantine Protich, is walking around New York today in a dead man's shoes.
He arrived on the French liner Espagne.
Constantine killed the German soldier
whose boots he wears. He is sixteen,
and an enlisted soldier. The Austrians captured him several times, but let him go because he is so young. Canadian Physician Harriet Cockburn liked the boy and brought him over.

To Prevent The Grip

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TRADE BALANCE PHYSICIANS EULOGIZE

Body Fighting Tuberculosis Honor General.

Speakers at the joint memorial meeting of the District Medical As-'Why didn't you stop Saturday night? sociation and the Washington Asso-Have you gone back on me? Be sure ciation for the Prevention of Tuberchance because my divorce case comes up on the first of the month. You can just say there was a robbery, and I will give you a good job driving a car for me. If you get into any trouble over this I will spend my last dollar to help you out."

Culosis praised in high terms the efforts of the late Gen. George M. Sternberg in the fight against "the white plague."

That General Sternberg's work had resulted in an appreciable decrease in and stop tonight. This is my last culosis praised in high terms the ef-

the mortality from infectious diseases

"I looked at the side of the road and ing upon Congress to provide liberal-ly for his widow, as an expression of the nation's appreciation of his servrecognized Spellman in the bushes. Then another car came along, and while a

Dr. William C. Gwynn, who has been interested in the establishment of open-air classes in the public schools for students having pulmonary affec-tions, urge dihe appointment of a supervisor of school hygiene and a greater number of school nurses, the present number being, he said, entireinsufficient.

present number being, as said, entirely insufficient.

The Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis held its annual business meeting preceding the memorial meeting. The following directors were re-elected: Emile Berliner, Surgeon General Rupert Blue, Miss Mablel 'T. Boardman, Dr. F. Fremont-Smith, Dr. William C. Gwynn, Dr. J. D. Morgan, Iv. C. W. Richardson, Dr. J. O. Skinner, and Walter S. Ufford In addition to these Mrs. George M. Sternberg was elected to the board. Afterward the directors elected the following officers: John Van Schalek, following officers: John Van Schaick, ir., president. Emile Berliner, vice president. Frank P. Reeside, treas-urer, and Walter S. Ufford, secretary.

Special Pension Examiner Will Speak On Defense

Special Examiner Wayne W. Cordell. of the Pension Bureau, is to deliver a series of addresses before the councils of the Independent Order Sons of Jonadan in Washington, the first of which will be tonight before Capital Harmony Council, No. 5, on "Preparedness."

Tomorrow evening he will address
Hope council, No. 1, on "Personal Probibition versus State Prohibition." Tuest lay he will speak before Unity Council, No. 2, on "Alcohol and its Effects," and January 23 he is to address John C. Pulley Council, No. 3, his topic being The Tennessee and Kentucky Moun

Turkish Woman Brings Universal Peace Plan

Mone Lucy Thoumainn, wife of a seat | Washington to outline a plan for universal peace in a series of meetings. Tonight she will speak at the Foundry d. E. Church, Sixteenth and Church treets, and Sunday afternoon at the Y W. C. A., at their headquarters at Fourteenth and G streets northwest. On Monday morning she will speak at Miss Janet Richard's weekly meeting in he auditorium of Woodward & Loth

Match Fires Home.

A match dropped in some sawdus according to the police, caused a fire late vesterday in the home of Carl Eglott at Twenty-fifth and E streets thwest. The damage is estimated at

Not a Bite of Breakfast Until You Drink Water

Says a glass of hot water and phosphate prevents illness and keeps us fit.

Just as coal, when it burns, leave

behind a certain amount of incombus the food and drink taken day after da ve in the alimentary canni a certain number of indigestible material, which not completely eliminated from t estern each day becomes food Men and women who can't get feet-ong right must begin to take inside baths. Setore eating breakfast each morning dink a glass of real hot water with a tenspoonful of limestone phos-phate in it to wash out of the thirty feet of bowels the previous days accomulation of possils and toxins and to keep the entire alimentary cana-cient, pure, and fresh.

Those who are subject to sick head-che, colds, billousness, constipation, there who wake up with bud taste, oul breath, backache, rheumatic stinness, or have a sour, gassy stomach after meals, are urged to get a quality pound of limestone phosphale from the drug store and begin practicing internet sanitation. This will cost very little, but is sufficient to make anyone an enthusiast on the subject.

Is nonless inside sathing is more in-portant than ourside lathing, because the sain pures do not absorb impurities into the blood, causing poor hearth,

white the howel peres do. Just as some and hot water cleaners, sweetens, and residens the skin, so hot water and mestione phosphate act on the stom-I mestone phosphate act on the stom-ach, liver, kidneys, and bowels.—Advi.

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Exports Nearly Twice as Large in Value as Imports For Past Week.

A favorable trade balance of \$46,782 006, Bethlehem Steel Pays of the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce made public yesterday, and covering the week ended on January 15. The report covers thirteen districts handling about 85 per cent of the imports and 93 per cent of the exports.

Imports in these districts had a value of \$37,423,296, and the exports \$43,161,342, making the exports more than twice as great as imports.

Announcement was made by the Deferred was also declared.

DIVIUCIIU PCI SHAPE

Mother's Friend, applied externally and to be had of all druggists, is of the greatest value for it robs childbirth of its agonies and dangers, makes the mother comfortable and helps make baby strong, healthy and vigorous. It is effective and dependable and has been used suc-

Announcement was made by the Department of Commerce that the weekly
trade statement, and the weekly statement of imports and exports of copper labor.

will be discontinued after February 1. The statements were instituted soon after the outbreak of the war when, owing to abnormal conditions, the business public was in need of current information regarding the general trend of the trade movement. Since that time, it is pointed out, the trade situa-tion has become comparatively settled. making the statements of insufficient importance to justify continuance.

\$30 Dividend Per Share

The directors announced a ten per cent increase in wages for unskilled

Wounds Bring Freedom. PETROGRAD, Jan. 28.—Russian sol-diers wounded for the third time are not sent back to the front, according to a new army ruling.

A Baby's Birthday.

Baby's coming is anticipated with great joy, and it is of the utmost importance that great care is taken to make this important event a happy

Mother's Friend, applied externally and to be had of all druggists, is pendable and has been used successfully for many years. Definite instructions are furnished with each bottle.-Advt.

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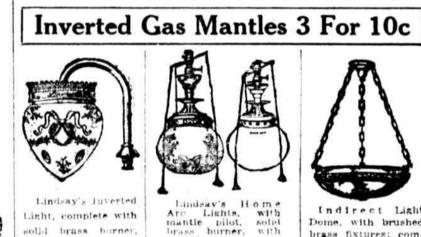


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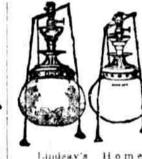
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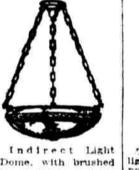
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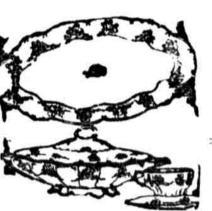
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